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Eagle Lake Man Sentenced for Federal Firearms Offenses

Bangor, Maine: United States Attorney Paula D. Silsby announced that **Wayne David Broome**, 51, of Eagle Lake, was sentenced on February 7, 2007, in U.S. District Court in Bangor, to one month imprisonment, 3 years supervised release, and a special assessment of \$100.00, for Possession of Firearm and Ammunition by a Convicted Felon. The custodial sentence was ordered to run consecutive to the sentence of 110 days imposed on the same date by Judge Woodcock for violations of the supervised release imposed in 2006 for conspiracy.

Court records reveal that in September 2006, U.S. Probation made a home visit to Broome who was on supervised release for the federal felony offense of conspiracy. Broome consented to a search of his one-bedroom residence. In the bedroom were found a .22 caliber rifle and hundreds of rounds of ammunition. As a felon, Broome is prohibited from possessing firearms and ammunition.

This case was a part of Maine's Project Safe Neighborhoods initiative which coordinates the efforts of federal and state agencies. The Project's goal is to increase successful prosecution of firearms cases and educate potential offenders on the serious consequences of illegal gun use and possession.

United States Attorney Silsby praised the investigation conducted by the U.S. Probation Department, with assistance from the Maine State Police, the Maine Drug Enforcement Agency, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives and the Eastern Maine Violent Crime Task Force.

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